

# Pepper News

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## Exhibition

### *Little Treasures for Christmas continues...*

**Until Thursday 19 December 5 pm**

Explore a delightful array of affordable handmade art and craft gifts, perfect for everyone on your list.

Every item is unique and crafted with love, and our constantly refreshed collection means there's always something new to discover. With creations from over 70 talented artists, you'll find everything from textiles and ceramics to glassware, wall art, jewellery, gift boxes, cards, homewares, and children's items.

Come visit us and take home a one-of-a-kind treasure today!



Images (clockwise from top left): Katie Sandison, *Wrens*, mixed media; Ivy and Hilda, *Handbags*, textiles; Mel Bone-Manser, *Jug*, ceramics; Vicki Bartel, *Candle Holder*, Mandala; Michelle Lee, *Necklace*, Jewellery; Denise Maddigan, *Wave Motion*, Painting, Sarah Tilley, *Earrings*, Jewellery.

## Pepper Street Arts Centre

Exhibitions, Gift Shop, Workshops, Coffee Shop | 558 Magill Road, Magill 5072

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Open: Tuesday - Friday 10 am - 5 pm, Saturday 12 noon - 5 pm. Centre closes for public holidays including Easter Saturday.

Christmas/New Year closure: Friday 20 December 2024 - Thursday 16 January 2025. Re-opens on Friday 17 January at 10 am.



## Exhibition

*If fabrics could speak...*

**Catherine Fitz-Gerald**

**17 January - 14 February**



### Opening Event

**Friday 17 January 6 pm**

**Opening Speaker:**

Bec Young, Access2Arts, CE

Have you ever wondered “If fabrics could speak what stories they would tell? What stories of making, family, history or culture?”

The artist has known that fabrics bind stories within their weft and warp from an early age. Her mother is a dressmaker and many of her memories of her are intertwined with the fabrics that passed through her creative hands.

Catherine reached out to the community and asked them “If your fabric could speak, what story would it tell?”

In this exhibition, focused on community engagement and inclusion, we celebrate our creative community through stories gathered over two years. 40 participants aged from 4 to 92 share sometimes quite ordinary fabrics and the extraordinary memories that linger in the fibres.

Discover these textile tales in an audio-described experience, combining paintings, photography and digital storytelling where memories persist and fabrics endure.

Winner of the Adelaide Fringe Best Visual and Design Award 2024 and UnitCare Services Best Digital Media Award SALA 2024.

**Exhibition concludes on Friday 14 February at 4 pm.**



## Artist Talks and Demonstrations

### Artist Talk

**Saturday 18 January 2 pm - 3.30 pm**

Celebrate our creative community as Catherine explores the themes emerging from their stories.

### Artist Demonstration

**Saturday 25 January 2 pm - 3.30 pm**

Catherine will be painting a still life of fabric in the gallery throughout the day, questions are welcome.

### Artist Talk and Sensory Tour

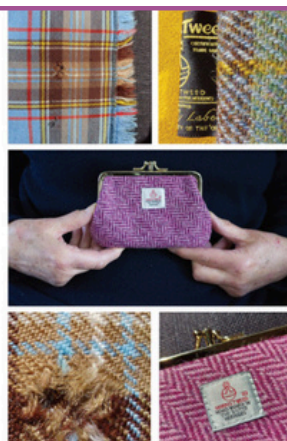
**Saturday 1 February 2 pm - 3.30 pm**

‘Memories of my dressmaker mother’. How it all began, exploring the threads of memory with Catherine.

### Artist Talk

**Saturday 8 February 2 pm - 3.30 pm**

Celebrate our creative community as Catherine tells more of their stories.



Images: All Paintings are Oil on Polycotton, *Satin Brocade*; *Gold Satin*; *Ruby Dress* and *Mrs Wilkins Supper Cloth*.



## Gift Shop

Gallery quality, affordably priced, handmade items by local artists. We invite you to support them by regularly browsing the wide range on offer.



Images (clockwise from top left): Ros Sidwell, *Urban View*, Small Painting; Alexander Polotnianka, *Carved Walking Sticks*, Woodwork; Mary Pulford, *Koala*, Linocut; Keith Howe, *Wrens*, Copper; Peter Kroehn, *Bowl*, Woodwork; Neva Jones, *Honey Bee on Thistle*, Textiles.

## 2025 Exhibition Calendar Highlights

Keep connected via email and our socials for updates on new exhibitions and related events.

**The Art of Storytelling**  
**Adelaide Fringe Festival**  
 23 February - 21 March



**Pastel Artists of SA**  
 28 March - 26 April  
**Stone Weavers**  
 2-23 May

Images (left to right): Juniper Darling, *Book House*, Mixed Media and Beth Evans, *Whodunit*, Mixed Media Printmaking.

**Bittondi Printmakers Association**  
 30 May - 20 June



**Calligraphy Society of SA**  
 27 June - 18 July  
**Wildlife - SALA Festival**  
 27 July - 29 August  
**SA Mosaics**  
 5 September - 3 October  
**Fibre Artist Network**  
 10 October - 7 November

## Call for Artists

**All submissions must be supplied via the forms on our website:**  
[pepperstreetartscentre.com.au](http://pepperstreetartscentre.com.au)

### Gift Shop



New artists/new ranges of work for the gift shop are welcome via our online submission process.  
 Selection deadline: Ongoing

### Artist of the Month



Victoria Yurkova, 2023 Artist of the Month  
 We are often seeking new artwork from current and new artists to be featured in the popular artist of the month program in the Gift Shop.  
 Are you a potter, jeweller, glass, sculpture, woodwork or textile artist?  
 Selection deadline: Ongoing

## Wildlife themed - SALA August 2025



Elise Leslie-Allen, *King*, oil  
 Accepting 2D and 3D artwork created around the theme of 'wildlife'. Artists are encouraged to let their creativity soar. This theme may suggest non-domestic fauna and flora, the use of wild materials, the interpretation of personality or environment.  
 Selection deadline:  
 Tuesday 15 April 2025

All exhibition and gift shop opportunities need to be submitted online. Application form and more information is available via this link:  
[burnside.sa.gov.au/Artist-Opportunities](http://burnside.sa.gov.au/Artist-Opportunities)





## Dorrit's Coffee

- A wide range of coffees, a selection of teas and cold drinks
- Locally baked biscuits
- Locally made popcorn
- Served by our volunteer team
- Artbook library and lounge

**Free Wi-Fi**



## Exhibition Proposals 2026

If you are a group of artists or a collective with a range of work being developed and are seeking an affordable, supportive and community focused exhibition venue, we welcome applications for limited places in 2026. Apply early to avoid disappointment. Applications need to be submitted online through the usual monthly selection panel process.

**For more information go to:**  
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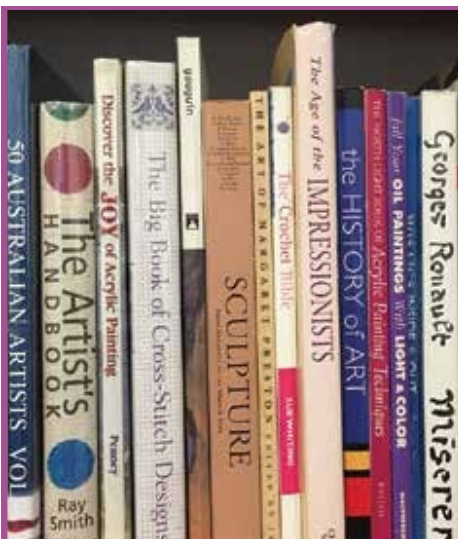
## Portrait Sketch Group

**Thursday afternoons  
1.30 pm - 3 pm**

Experienced or budding sketchers are invited to come along for this weekly 'learn by doing' session.

Participants draw at their own pace with a community sitter provided.

\$4 for the session, plus an optional 'cuppa' in Dorrit's afterwards, to chat and share with the sitter. No requirement to book.



## Art book collection for borrowing

Use your 'One Card' library card to borrow from an exciting collection of art books onsite or take the opportunity to browse when you stop for coffee.



## Art Classes

A range of art forms and mediums are available for recreational learning across all skill levels.

See insert in this issue.

Images: (top to bottom): Zhuo Wei, Chinese Watercolour Painting; Melanie Heatley, Jewellery Making



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